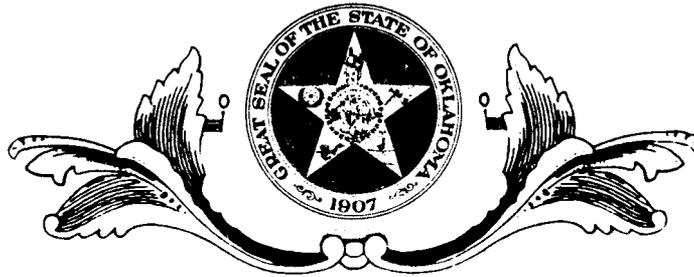


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Proclamation

Whereas, digestive diseases, in general, rank first among illnesses for total economic burden making up about 15 percent of all direct healthcare costs; and

Whereas, 20 to 30 percent of the North American population experience difficulty with upper or lower digestive tract motility disturbances on a chronic basis; and

Whereas, occurring in any region of the digestive tract, this family of digestive motility disease disorders may produce chronic motor and sensory disturbances characterized by weakened, spastic, or failed propulsion to allow food through the digestive system; and

Whereas, patients who may appear well, but are nevertheless suffering, struggle against the lack of support from those who do not understand the debilitating nature of their digestive symptoms; and

Whereas, it is fitting to bring attention to this serious and misunderstood range of disorders that compromise the quality of daily life for many Oklahomans and people around the world;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim August 2013 as

"Digestive Motility Awareness Month"

in the state of Oklahoma and urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 22nd day of July, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

Assistant *Chris Devine*
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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